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NEGATIVE ELECTRODE MATERIAL, MAKING METHOD, AND LITHIUM ION SECONDARY BATTERY

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This amendment includes Amendment to the Specification; and Remarks.